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Dear Department of Ecology

Thank you for considering public comment on phase two Municipal Storm water draft permits. After reading what the permits cover it falls short again in storm water management. You left out down stream land owners. You have the city or county issue a building permit for any urban growth in public areas. They keep putting there storm water into creeks, streams, or whatever and it changes the whole flow system down stream. So when there is heavy rain the stream jumps the banks and trespass onto private land. Now you have mud, sand, and what ever getting into the storm water runoff.

Increasing the surface water or storm water accumulation on or flow over real property, beyond that which naturally occurs on the real property, does cause severe damage to the real property and limit the gainful use or enjoyment of the real property, this action resulting in a tort, nuisance, or taking. By any definition a city or county is an origination. We have by any definition Organize crime. The Cities or Counties Issue the building permits, they oversee the project, OK the construction collect the money for the building permits and collect the tax revenue. All the down stream landowners get is the water.

We need a system where the landowner can call Department of Ecology show how upstream urban growth changes the natural flow to the stream. Then you can attack the problem at the source. I can not speak for other down stream landowners; but during a flood where the water jumps the banks of the stream that goes by my property; I'm going to fight the flood water and if I cause even more muddy water I do not care.
Thank you for your time.

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